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## PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ACTION

## REGION 51 (TEXAS-HOUSTON) PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE TO HOLD 700 MHz PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

The Region 51 (Texas-Houston)<sup>1</sup> 700 MHz Public Safety Regional Planning Committee (RPC) will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, October 3, 2007, beginning at 9:30 a.m., at the Houston Airport System, 16930 JFK Boulevard, Houston, Texas.<sup>2</sup>

The agenda for this meeting includes:

- Call to order (Chairman Douglas Frankhouser)
- Introduction of attendees and completion/verification of attendee information sheet
- Presentation of required changes to public safety 700 MHz frequencies
- Presentation of September meetings and RPC training in Austin
- Discuss final draft concurrence agreed to by adjacent regions --Region18 (Louisiana), Region 40 (Northern Texas), Region 49 (Central Texas-Austin), and Region 53 (Texas-El Paso)

<sup>1</sup> Region 51 (Texas-Houston) area includes the City of Houston and the counties of Shelby, Nacogdoches, San Augustine, Sabine, Houston, Trinity, Angelina, Walker, San Jacinto, Polk, Tyler, Jasper, Newton, Montgomery, Liberty, Hardin, Orange, Waller, Harris, Chambers, Jefferson, Galveston, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Austin, Colorado, Wharton and Matagorda.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 700 MHz Regional Planning Committees (RPCs) with approved plans or plans on file with the Commission (*see* WT Docket 02-378), are required to submit amended plans consistent with the decisions outlined in the 700 MHz proceeding. *See* Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700 MHz Band; Development of Operational, Technical and Spectrum Requirements for Meeting Federal, State and Local Public Safety Communications Requirements Through the Year 2010, PS Docket No. 06-229, WT Docket No. 96-86, *Second Report and Order*, 22 FCC Rcd 15289 (2007) (*Second Report and Order*). The *Second Report and Order* was published in the Federal Register on August 24, 2007 at 72 Fed. Reg. 48,813; the effective date of the Order is October 23, 2007. Amended plans are due by November 23, 2007 from the following RPCs: Approved plans - Region 5 (Southern California); Region 19 (New England Area); Region 24 (Missouri); Region 22 (Minnesota); Region 12 (Idaho); Region 43 (Washington); Region 41 (Utah); Region 3 (Arizona) and Region 40 (Northern Texas). Plans on file - Region 1 (Alabama); Region 27 (Nevada); Region 45 (Wisconsin); Region 7 (Colorado); Region 9 (Florida); Region 16 (Kansas) and Region 20 (Northern Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia). *See* Regional Plan Map depicting approved and submitted plans at http://www.fcc.gov/pshs/spectrum/700mhz/regional-map.html.

- Discuss Region 51 700 MHz plan. A copy of the Region 51 draft plan may be found at http://www.region51.hctx.net/
- Discuss other issues affecting Region 51
- Closing

General 700 MHz information is available at the Commission's Public Safety and Homeland Security public safety website at http://www.fcc.gov/pshs/spectrum/Welcome.html.

The Region 51 Public Safety Regional Planning Committee meeting is open to the public. All eligible public safety providers whose sole or principal purpose is to protect the safety of life, health, or property in Region 51 may utilize these frequencies. It is essential that public safety agencies in all areas of government, including state, municipality, county, and Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's rules, be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate, and represent their agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in planning for the use of public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz band within Region 51 should plan to attend. For further information, please contact:

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